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In re Patent Application of

Applicants : Michael KRIEGER )  
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For : PORTABLE LIGHT WITH STAND )  
Atty. Dkt. : 32405-147477 )



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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 22031

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Sir:

Prior to the first Examiner's Action, please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Page 8, line 19, after "Figure 1" insert --5 and 6--;

line 20, after "element 32" insert --both lay flat against housing portion 12 and

thus generally conform with-- and delete "are each";

line 21, delete "shaped to follow".

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (amended).

1. A portable light, comprising:

first and second battery operated lamps;

a first housing portion having a longitudinal axis and enclosing the first lamp for

projecting a first light beam in a direction of the longitudinal axis of the first housing portion, the

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